



Is the Israeli law centre, Shurat HaDin, a defender of human rights?

By David Brockschmidt

I would like to address the following questions to the Israeli law centre, Shurat HaDin, which need to be answered:

1. It claims to be fully independent and a non-profit organisation. The question is how is the centre financed and where does the money come from?

2. It needs precisely to define what is "racist hate speech", and does this include the "anti-Gentilic hate speech" contained in Judaism's holiest book, the Babylonian Talmud. A good source of information on Talmud would be Professor Peter Schaefer's book, *Jesus in the Talmud*.

3. The centre has clearly to define in detail what is meant by "Jewish, racial and ethnic origin and Israeli ethnic origin"?

4. Does Israeli ethnic origin include all non-Jewish Israeli citizens such as Christians, Druze, Muslims, Bahais, etc.?

5. The centre claims it is enforcing basic human rights through the country's legal system and it represents clients from America, Europe and Israel. Does that include non-Jews from these countries as well? Does it also include non-Jewish citizens of Israel? Does it

include all non-Jewish persons in the Israeli-occupied territories?

6. Does the independent non-profit Israeli law centre also defend Jewish and non-Jewish victims of Israeli state terrorism and war crimes in Israel and within the Palestinian occupied territories?

7. What is the Palestinian cause?

8. The law centre says the Boycott, Divestment and Sanction – BDS – is antisemitic. How many citizens of the state of Israel are of Semitic origin?

9. The centre claims it opposes any forms of boycott, which I support. But the Israeli law centre must be reminded that the Jewish-Zionist organisations worldwide, and especially in the USA, except the Zionist organisations in Germany, had big boycott rallies against the German government and against German export goods. This happened on 24 March 1933, less than two months after the new German government came to power on 30 January 1933. As a response of these anti-German boycotts, which was ongoing to the end of World War two, the German government asked for a boycott

of Jewish-owned shops. This boycott lasted only one day. The anti-German Jewish boycott against Germany made the life for German Jews very difficult. Nevertheless, out of 600,000 German Jews, 460,000 migrated to many parts of the world until the end of 1941. 60,000 migrated to Palestine with the help of the German government. This was made possible through the Haa'vera Agreement between the German government, the German Zionist Federation, and other European Zionist organisations in German occupied territories. Most of the Palestinian infrastructure before World War Two was made in Germany.

It is now up to Shurat HaDin to give precise answers to these questions in order to prove it is independent of any religious, political and/or government organisations, including the Israeli government. Shurat HaDin has to prove that it is not an agency of the Israeli government and/or other Zionist propaganda organisations, as their enemies describes it.

Shalom and Mazaltov.

David Brockschmidt
Adelaide, Australia
25 June 2013

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– DEFAMING A HOLOCAUST QUESTIONER –

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EXCLUSIVE

CHRISTIAN KERR

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Frederick

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BY: CHRISTIAN KERR, [The Australian](#), June 20, 2013 12:00AM

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<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/nationalaffairs/foreignaffairs/greens-court-holocaust-denier-fredrick-toben/story-fn59nm2j-1226666556923>

EDITORIAL

All aboard the ship of fools

[The Australian](#), June 21, 2013 12:00AM

EVEN if Fredrick Toben is right, and the murder of six million Jews is a fable pushed by "Holocaust racketeers, the corpse peddlers and the Shoah business merchants", it would do nothing to solve the moral bankruptcy of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign.

It would suit the extreme pro-Palestinian argument if the founders of Israel were the oppressors rather than the oppressed, and if the foundation of a Zionist state was indeed an act of imperial aggression, rather than a recognition by the international community that the Jewish people had been wandering too long. Dr Toben, however, is wrong. He is perversely, empirically and offensively wrong. Through gritted teeth, we defend his right to state his case. Nonetheless, no reasonable person acquainted with the facts would give him the time of day.

The bounds of reasonableness, however, rarely trouble the BDS movement, where actions range between the crass and the repugnant. When BDS supporters punish Israel by picketing Australian chocolate shops owned by a Jewish businessman, their absurdity invites us to laugh. Yet when they call for the severing of ties between Australian and Israeli academics and the banning of Israeli books, the ugly, illiberal and frightening face of BDS is revealed for all to see.

Understandably, some conclude that Israel is only collateral damage for the BDS movement. Its real target is the Jews.

By flirting with BDS, the Greens forfeit the right to be considered a mainstream party. It demonstrates a preference for the company of the numbats and conspiracists in the dark and dangerous fringelands. Until the party disentangles itself, forcefully and unambiguously, from the BDS movement and those who would see a democratic, sovereign nation wiped from the map, its chances of being taken seriously are zero.

Now we learn that NSW Greens MLC David Shoebridge asked Dr Toben to join the NSW Parliamentary Friends of Palestine for a cruise on Sydney Harbour. Mr Shoebridge says it was all a terrible mistake. Dr Toben has since been divested, as it were, from the guest list. He may be right. Who among us has not occasionally pressed "send" in error? But why was Dr Toben's name on a list of potential invitees at all? It is one thing to be a friend of Palestine, but quite another to be an enemy of the truth.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/editorials/all-aboard-the-ship-of-fools/story-e6frq71x-1226667113251>

Split in Greens over Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben

BY: CHRISTIAN KERR, [The Australian](#), June 21, 2013 12:00AM

SPLITS have emerged in the Greens after leader Christine Milne refused to rebuke NSW MP David Shoebridge for his contact with Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben.

The Australian revealed yesterday Mr Shoebridge invited Dr Toben, who has served prison time in Australia and Germany for his Holocaust denial and anti-Semitic activities -- to a fundraising event for Gaza in April.

Mr Shoebridge said the invitation was rescinded when he became aware of Dr Toben's extreme views. Senator Milne yesterday attacked Dr Toben's views but offered no condemnation of Mr Shoebridge, placing her at odds with the Greens' lead Senate candidate in NSW, Cate Faehrmann, and her former communications director, Tim Hollo.

"The Australian Greens totally reject and condemn anti-Semitism . . . It is abhorrent. We condemn unreservedly Holocaust denials. It has no place anywhere in Australia society," Senator Milne said. "The horrendous consequences of the Holocaust are still being felt around the world and I am appalled that people like Dr Toben engage in fabrication of history and . . . spread and engage in anti-Semitism."

But she stopped short of condemning Mr Shoebridge.

The invitation was sent to Dr Toben after an email exchange with Shoebridge staffer Mark Riboldi, who sent a link to a March 25 debate in the NSW Legislative Council on a study trip to Israel that was hijacked by pro-Palestinian MPs. In the exchange Mr Riboldi agreed he would "definitely not" be bending to Jewish pressure.

Mr Hollo condemned Mr Riboldi's conduct: "As a proud Jewish Green, I have spent years convincing people it is wrong and offensive to conflate criticising Israel's government and armed forces with anti-Semitism. In this context, David Shoebridge's staffer's approach to Fredrick Toben is an inexcusable error that is completely out of step with Greens policies, values and action.

"He should not be allowed to tarnish the great work done by the rest of the party." Ms Faehrmann apologised for the incident. "At the very least, it was appropriate that the invitation was rescinded, however Mr Toben should never have been invited in the first place. I apologise to the Jewish community unreservedly for any hurt and upset this error of judgment may have caused," she said.

Executive Council of Australian Jewry executive director Peter Wertheim said Mr Shoebridge was avoiding the real issue. "This is not about the revocation of an invitation," he said. "It's about why those who claim to be supporting Palestinian rights consistently attract the enthusiastic support of people with an explicitly racist anti-Jewish agenda."

NSW Greens senator Lee Rhiannon, who has formerly backed the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement, declined to comment.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/state-politics/split-in-greens-over-holocaust-denier/story-e6frqczx-1226667123665>

LETTERS

Greens exposed

[The Australian](http://www.theaustralian.com.au), June 22, 2013 12:00AM

IT is no surprise that Greens leader Christine Milne refused to rebuke Greens NSW parliamentarian David Shoebridge for inviting Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben to a fund-raising event for Gaza ("Split in Greens over Holocaust denier", 21/6).

This anti-Semitic stance is another facet of the Greens' anti-democratic agenda. It is prophetic of Australia's future under a Greens regime.

The Greens' website makes it clear its aims are only ecological sustainability and social equality. There is zero support for private enterprise. The obvious result of these policies would be economic collapse.

No worries for the Greens. Social equity would be achieved by placing all Australians on the government payroll. This would ensure there is an equal spread of poverty, food shortages, misery and absence of any revenue stream or avenue for aspiration.

With all Australians dependent on government largesse in this Greens paradise, the government would have absolute power..

P. Clifford, Chatsworth, Qld

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BRAVO for your editorial for highlighting the absurdity and the sinister underpinnings of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign against Israel ("All aboard the ship of fools", 21/6). It is no surprise that Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben aligns himself with this asinine campaign that implicitly argues that Israel should not exist.

The campaign is an extension of the Nazi boycott against Jewish businesses in pre-war Germany. To argue otherwise is to obfuscate reality.

If these so-called human rights activists were so concerned with the welfare of the Palestinians, they would urge the Palestinian Authority to renounce terrorism, acknowledge the right of Israel to exist and return to peace talks without preconditions. Instead, they champion a movement that exposes something malevolent.

Joel Feren, Elwood, Vic

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/greens-exposed/story-fn558imw-1226667818448>

Toben backing for peace centre

BY: CHRISTIAN KERR, [The Australian](http://www.theaustralian.com.au), June 24, 2013 12:00AM

SYDNEY University's Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies has received an unwelcome endorsement from Australia's most notorious Holocaust denier.

Fredrick Toben -- who has served prison time in both Germany and Australia as a result of his Holocaust denial and anti-Semitic activities -- has written an open letter to the centre's head, associate professor Jake Lynch, urging him to stand firm in the face of legal threats over its support for the anti-Israeli Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement.

Shurat HaDin of the Israeli civil rights legal centre has threatened to take legal action against Associate Professor Lynch and the Sydney Peace Foundation director, professor emeritus Stuart Rees.

Mr HaDin alleges that their support for BDS violates the Racial Discrimination Act.

Dr Toben has encouraged Professor Lynch to stand firm in the face of "Jewish pressure".

"My constant maxim has always been: 'Don't only blame the Jews, also blame those that bend to their pressure'," he wrote.

"I have had this kind of Jewish pressure put on me for just on 17 years, which ultimately led to my imprisonment and bankruptcy, but I still did not bend.

"This whole matter of bringing the force of law into your work now questions your moral and intellectual integrity, and a yielding to it will not satisfy those that are now wanting you to recant and to stop the academic boycott against Israel."

Both Professor Lynch and Professor Rees have distanced themselves from Dr Toben.

"I have nothing to do with Fredrick Toben and refute all and any of his claims," an emphatic Professor Rees said.

However, Jeremy Jones from the Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council has said he is not surprised that the centre has attracted Dr Toben's interest.

Mr Jones said there had been many examples of BDS and anti-Israeli activities in Sydney attracting neo-Nazis.

"Why would anyone be surprised that someone like Fredrick Toben, who has run campaigns found to have effectively defamed Jews, has supported a boycott of individuals based purely on their nationality?" Mr Jones said.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/highereducation/toben-backing-forpeacecentre/storye6frgcjx1226668471132>

Combative Toben

***The Australian*, June 25, 2013 12:00AM**

DURING the past week, you have published a number of news reports, letters and an editorial touching, among other matters, on the character and views of Fredrick Toben.

This coverage has described him as a "Holocaust denier" and an anti-Semite. Toben holds a PhD for study conducted under the political philosopher Karl Popper. He is better described as a Holocaust revisionist, signifying that he has had the courage to challenge aspects of a key dogma of the age. Toben can be described as an eccentric with a combative personality. But he deserves fair treatment.

Nigel Jackson, Belgrave, Vic

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/combative-toben/story-fn558imw-1226668994460>

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Academic boycott

***The Australian*, June 25, 2013 12:00AM**

YOUR campaign to equate the call for an academic boycott of Israel with anti-Semitism is an attempt, as sinister as it is absurd, to stifle an important debate.

There are other countries that occupy territory recognised as not their own; kill large numbers of civilians in military action; stockpile nuclear weapons without joining the Non-Proliferation Treaty, and violate the 1973 UN convention against apartheid. But only one does all four.

There is no non-Jewish state in that category, so the charge of discrimination is easily disproved. Or are you resolved not to let facts get in the way of a good witch-hunt?

Jake Lynch, director, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, Sydney University

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/academic-boycott/story-fn558imw-1226668994337>

Funding anti-Semitism

***The Australian*, June 27, 2013 12:00AM**

JAKE Lynch (Letters, 25/6) and his colleagues at Sydney University's Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies are free to advocate whatever ideas they wish. But promotion of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions campaign goes beyond words and ideas.

By their actions, Lynch and his supporters have directly involved Sydney University in a political movement that has been accurately unmasked by many, from the leadership of Harvard University to vocal critics of Israel, such as Noam Chomsky (in a 2010 interview with Frank Barat), as a call for the destruction of the

state of Israel. The objective is, therefore, unambiguously anti-Semitic.

According to its 2012 report, the centre receives about \$800,000 in annual public funding. If an incoming Abbott government withdraws all funding, Lynch will remain at complete liberty to disseminate his discreditable ideas - but not at the expense of the taxpayer or with the implicit support of the government.

James Miller, Woolloomooloo, NSW

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/funding-anti-semitism/story-fn558imw-1226670386269>

Deniers who deny

***The Australian*, June 27, 2013 12:00AM**

LET me quote Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben for the benefit of Nigel Jackson (Letters, 25/6): "There is serious doubt that the Holocaust occurred; it is unlikely that there were homicidal gas chambers at Auschwitz."

And this: "Jewish people who are offended by and challenge Holocaust denial are of limited intelligence."

Just one more: "Some Jewish people, for improper purposes, including financial gain, have exaggerated the number of Jews killed during World War II and the circumstances in which they were killed."

That's a sample of what appeared on Toben's website and what the Federal Court ordered removed because it incited hatred of Jews.

But Jackson defends Toben by denying that he is either anti-Semitic or a Holocaust denier. Great, now we have deniers who deny that there are Holocaust deniers. And Jake Lynch (Letters 25/6), don't tell us you're not an anti-Semite, tell Toben - he's the one who is sending you fan mail.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/deniers-who-deny/story-fn558imw-1226670388103>

Toben's image

***The Australian*, July 01, 2013 12:00AM**

CONTRARY to the claim of Henry Herzog (Letters, 27/6), I did not "deny that Fredrick Toben is anti-Semitic" (Letters, 25/6). My letter sought explicitly to balance an unfairly negative image of the man and implicitly to protest at a person being made a social pariah because he has expressed unpopular and controversial views.

Nor did I "deny" that he is a "Holocaust denier". I rejected this propaganda term as a false description of his position. "Holocaust revisionist" is more accurate and more honest.

It may be that Toben has made intemperate remarks about Jews on occasion, but he has also been subject to provocation and should never have been jailed for expressions of opinion.

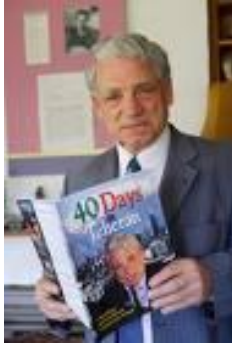
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<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/letters/toben-s-image/story-fn558imw-1226672188191>

Holocaust deniers “disgusting monsters”

June 20, 2013 by Henry Benjamin

A report that Holocaust denier Dr Fredrick Toben had been invited by a NSW Greens MP to join a Sydney Harbour cruise to raise funds for Gaza has met with damning disapproval by Greens MP Jeremy Buckingham...and apologies from Greens Senate candidate Cate Faehrmann.



Fredrick Töben



David Shoebridge

The Australian newspaper reported that Greens MP David Shoebridge had invited Adelaide-based Toben to join the cruise...but Shoebridge withdrew the invitation when he became aware of Toben's background.

Toben, who has served time in prison in Germany for denying the Holocaust and in Australia for contempt of court by refusing to withdraw content from his Adelaide Institute web site, accepted the invitation and according to the Australian is demanding a refund of his air fare following the decision to rescind his invitation to last month's cruise.

In a statement to the NSW Parliament today Davide Shoebridge said: "There was a story in the Australian today that referred to my decision to refuse permission to Holocaust denier Frederick Toben to attend an event I organised to support Palestinian rights.

As I said on ABC radio this morning "Probably the most offensive view you can have in relation to the issue of Israel and Palestine is to be a Holocaust denier."

A broadcast email was inadvertently sent to Toben about the event from my office. He was put onto a distribution list by a staff member who was unaware of who Toben was.

As soon as we became aware of who we were dealing with we immediately withdrew the invitation and black-listed him from further communication. Toben's offensive views on the Holocaust are completely incompatible with any engagement with this office.

The Australian chose to not print the fact that we made it very clear to Mr Toben that he was not welcome specifically because he is a Holocaust denier.

I, the Greens, and everyone in my office strongly condemn anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial. This is a position I have repeatedly, and publicly, stated."

Greens MP Jeremy Buckingham told J-Wire: "Holocaust deniers are disgusting monsters, peddling evil lies. The Greens believe there is no place for any association with, and condemn all forms of anti-Semitism."

He added; "Everyone working for peace and justice in the Middle East must be mindful that their cause is not hijacked by those who are motivated by hatred."

Jeremy Buckingham signed the London Declaration against anti-Semitism on 23 May this year.

Shoebridge is reported in the Australian as saying "There was never any intention to invite Mr Toben to the event". He said the invitation was sent inadvertently through an automated process.

Former Greens MP and lead Senate candidate Cate Faehrmann told J-Wire: "I was in shock when I learned of this. Frederick Toben's views runs counter to everything we stand for as a Party – peace, tolerance and acceptance. At the very least, it was appropriate that the invitation was rescinded, however Mr Toben should never have been invited in the first place.

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Jeremy Jones of The Australia/Israel and Jewish Affairs Council said: "Organisations who attack and campaign against Israel become magnets for neo-Nazis, anti-Semites and racists. It is good that Mr Shoebridge reversed the error."

Executive director of The Executive Council of Australian Jewry Peter Wertheim added: "David Shoebridge is avoiding the real issue. This is not about the revocation of an invitation that appears to have been sent out inadvertently. It's about why those who claim to be supporting Palestinian rights consistently attract the enthusiastic support of people with an explicitly racist anti-Jewish agenda. Politicians in particular have an obligation to be realistic about the true nature and effect of their advocacy."

<http://www.jwire.com.au/news/holocaust-deniers-disgusting-monsters/35226>

Greens invited Holocaust denier Frederick Tobin to fundraiser 'by accident'

Updated Thu Jun 20, 2013 10:25am AEST



PHOTO: Holocaust denier Frederick Tobin talks to reporters outside the Federal Court in Adelaide, June 2011. AAP: Guy David, file photo.

The Greens say they accidentally invited a notorious Holocaust denier to a function in aid of Palestinians last month.

Frederick Tobin, who has spent time in jail in Germany because he denies the Holocaust took place, was invited onto a Greens boat trip to raise money for Gaza. New South Wales Greens MLC David Shoebridge says his name came onto the mailing list by error.

"Probably the most offensive view you can have in relation to the issue of Israel and Palestine is to be a Holocaust denier," he said.

"As soon as it became aware who he was his invitation was summarily withdrawn."

Members of the Jewish community have expressed disappointment that Mr Tobin was invited to the function in the first place.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2013-06-20/greens-confirm-invitation-to-holocaust-denier/4767324>

THE HATE BOAT: Greensparty wanted to go "solidarity" sailing with Nazi holocaust denier

By [VEXNEWS](#) · June 20, 2013



The notorious New South Wales branch of the Greensparty has once again embroiled the party in scandal, following revelations in The Australian that it has forged close ties with the nation's most infamous Holocaust denier and Nazi, Fredrick Töben.

They even invited him to sail in solidarity to raise funds for Gaza, in protest at Israel's attempts to stop the flow of weapons and equipment used by terrorists there against Israeli civilians and enemies of the Hamas-led

regime there. The [non-sharia booze cruise for Gaza wasn't cheap](#):

\$75 regular | \$100 solidarity (inclusive of food and fine company)

Emails between an unnamed Greensparty staffer who we can reveal is Mark Riboldi, an electorate officer to David Shoebridge MLC, show a close degree of interaction between the supposedly left-wing MP's state electorate office and the notorious anti-Semite from

Adelaide. A Google search, the general notoriety of Töben including a lot of press last year relating to an anti-discrimination case against him, mean their denial that they were aware of his views and activities strains credulity. As you'll see, Töben wasn't shy about writing about "Jewish pressure" in correspondence with the Greensparty. [And of course, Töben could very well be a Greensparty voter given the well-established environmentalist tradition in Nazi ideology.](#)

Young Greens NSW asked a question.
16 hours ago

Do you believe that Israel has a right to exist?

<input type="radio"/> No. I believe in the rights and sovereignty of Palestine.	+57
<input type="radio"/> Yes. I support the creation and continuance of the state of Israel.	+92

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The revelations come after a Greensparty asked its supporters and members "Do you believe Israel has a right to exist?" an agenda item perhaps lifted from a Ku Klux Klan conference.

The Australian's Christian Kerr, who has been understandably agitating for redeployment from Canberra to Melbourne, has done well to shine light on a very sinister email exchange showing the Greensparty and Nazis show common cause when it comes to hating the Jewish state, Israel. The Australian [reveals](#):

Mr Shoebridge's office emailed Dr Toben a link to his speech on March 25.

"Many, many thanks, Mark – and all the very best to David – and I do hope there will not be a bending to Jewish pressure after this courageous stance!" Dr Toben said in a return email the same day.

"Definitely not," came a response from Mr Shoebridge's office two days later.

Usually Israel haters are careful to refer to "Zionists" rather than directly referring to Jews. Mark Riboldi was not disturbed by the plain-speaking about the Jews. Quite reminiscent of that other anti-Semite, one-time Christian Kerr boss turned foe Stephen Mayne, who once told an ABC radio audience he'd submitted to what he claimed was omnipotent Jewish power by just following the editorial line of the Jewish News on Israel when he ran Crikey.

The publication's carnival of Israel-hating writers at the time mustn't have got Mayne's memo. As ever with Mayne, now a carpetbagging local councillor in league with dodgy developers' mate Darebin mayor Tim Laurence, it was a fib. Mayne told a lot of fibs back then, Crikey insiders say, especially those co-founders he reputedly defrauded in their partnership when it came to divvy up the spoils from the sale to Eric Beecher. Whatever one might say about Kerr – and

we've said plenty – he is sound on Israel and troubled by anti-Semitism.

The Greensparty-Nazi alliance exposed by Christian Kerr today is about as confronting and worrying as anything else we've ever seen from the Greens. Their pre-occupation with Israel, their insistence on the Jewish state being some kind of villain while remaining silent about the Middle East's real human rights abusers like the Saudis and Syrians, can now be seen in its proper context.

A Google search of the Greensparty's intended guest Fredrick Töben is a horror show. He is undoubtedly Australia's most prominent and infamous Holocaust denier, saluted with the Third Reich salute by his fans during his multiple criminal trials. He has produced lengthy texts and videos making his case that among other things: 1) the Holocaust didn't happen, 2) Nazi death camp prisoners were fed better than Germans in general and 3) those gas chambers were just designed to make sure no-one got nits during their stay. It's vile, menacing and horrible stuff.



And the staffer who invited him – Mark Riboldi – has a LinkedIn page shows he claims to have been a "researcher," a "communications assistant" to the NSW Greensparty, not before he started as an electorate officer working for David Shoebridge, in a self-titled role "Communications and Policy Advisor". His duties extend to answering the phone, the tweets and inviting Nazis to anti-Israel events. The bloke can use Google. It's frankly impossible to imagine he hadn't heard of him, while taking such a keen interest in the Middle East.

And even when the Greensparty high command decided there was too much heat to allow Töben to attend in full-dress Nazi uniform, Shoebridge's staffer didn't say we don't like your views, he apologised for the inconvenience and merely said his views would "likely offend a number of guests who we work with frequently." Nothing about Shoebridge or the staffer or the Greensparty themselves being offended. Riboldi wrote:

"Hi Frederick, I'm afraid we're going to have to rescind our invitation to this event. I have been informed that, based on your past actions and views, your presence will likely offend a number of guests who we work with

frequently. Apologies for any inconvenience. Mark for David."

It appears Toben got angry as a result of being uninvited, demanded his hosts pay him for his airfare to Sydney and appears to have provided details of his correspondence to maximise the trouble for the Greensparty as a payback. While all that's amusing, it's no laughing matter that the Greensparty and Australia's most prominent Holocaust-denier have been so closely connected at all.

The Greensparty's continued involvement in the Nazi-emulating Boycott, Divestment, Sanctions blitzkrieg against the Jewish state, their extensive interaction with Holocaust deniers and Nazis is perplexing, confusing for those who like to peg them as self-indulgent idealistic lefties who love koalas and didn't grow out of student politics.

Maybe some of them are like that. Maybe some of them mean well. The anti-Labor left tradition is a long-term, albeit fringe, part of Australian politics.



But the fact the Greensparty attracts and is comfortable with support from Nazis ought worry all of us.

Not everyone sympathetic to the plight of the hopelessly divided and poorly led Palestinians is an anti-Semite or is even anti-Israel. But those who impose impossible standards on Israel (that they never seek to apply on other Mid-East countries), those who find themselves supporting the Gazans or the West Bankers or Hezbollah or even the Syrian rebels who

snack on the hearts of their enemies are getting into bed with the political enemies of everything we politically value in Australia: human rights, individual liberty, religious freedom and democracy.

It should come as no surprise that those who oppose Israel attract Nazis and far-right groups like flies to rotten eggs. The long sweep of history shows they are part of the same tradition, frequently employing the same tactics (like boycotts), with thinking similarly twisted and troubled, motivated by deeply worrying sentiments we once dared to dream were extinguished when the Nazi death camps were liberated and Israel from the ashes of the Holocaust.

At Yad Vashem, the Holocaust Museum, there's a memorial wall that reads in the languages of the world "Never again." When you confront the fact that currently elected members of Australian parliaments – from the Greensparty no less – are in league with those who pretend the Holocaust didn't happen because they are sympathetic to its perpetrators, we're powerfully reminded that those words "Never again" have a great deal of meaning still. "Never again" isn't a boast, it's a reminder that there is evil in the world and we must always be ready to identify it and have the courage to act against it.

UPDATE: The Greensparty MLC responsible for this unpleasantness says it's all a big misunderstanding and that he didn't intend for the Holocaust denier to be invited to the anti-Israel booze cruise:

["Probably the most offensive view you can have in relation to the issue of Israel and Palestine is to be a Holocaust denier," he told the ABC.](#)

Yeh, probably.

<http://www.vexnews.com/author/admin/>

From the Parliamentary Report State of New South Wales

20 June 2013

Holocaust Denier Mr Fredrick Toben

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HOLOCAUST DENIER MR FREDRICK TOBEN

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Personal Explanation

Mr DAVID SHOEBRIDGE, by leave: Today in the *Australian* a story referred to my decision to refuse permission to Holocaust denier Frederick Toben to attend an event I organised to support Palestinian rights. This morning on ABC Radio I said:

Probably the most offensive view you can have in relation to the issue of Israel and Palestine is to be a Holocaust denier.

A broadcast email about the event was inadvertently sent from my office to Mr Toben. He was put onto a distribution list by a staff member who was unaware of who Toben was. As soon as we became aware of who we were dealing with, we immediately withdrew the invitation and blacklisted him from further communication. Toben's offensive views on the Holocaust are completely incompatible with any engagement with my office or any political office. The *Australian* chose not to print the fact that we made it very clear to Mr Toben that he was not welcome specifically because he is a Holocaust denier. I, The Greens and everyone in my office strongly condemn anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial. I have stated this position repeatedly and publicly. I repeat it today.

Today the police Minister, in answer to a question on this issue, stated that I had received "Mr Toben's filthy lucre." This statement is both false and offensive. Not only did I utterly reject Mr Toben's request to attend the event, I never received and would reject absolutely any money that came from him or any source associated with him. I find those uninformed and false slurs on my name deeply disappointing coming from a Minister of the Crown.

http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Prod/parlment/hansart.nsf/V3Key/LC20130620038?open&refNavID=HA8_1

**After receiving an email from Mr Shoebridges
a correspondent asks further questions**

From: David Shoebridge david.shoebridge@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Sent: 20 June 2013 08:20

To: Bocage bocage@club-internet.fr

Subject: We must all stand up to Holocaust deniers

Dear Yvonne

There was a story in *the Australian* today that referred to my decision to refuse permission to Holocaust denier Frederick Toben to attend an event I organised to support Palestinian rights.

As I said on ABC radio this morning:

<https://shoebridge.greenshost.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=8331&qid=25394>. "Probably the most offensive view you can have in relation to the issue of Israel and Palestine is to be a Holocaust denier."

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The Australian chose to not print the fact that we made it very clear to Mr Toben that he was not welcome specifically because he is a Holocaust denier.

I, the Greens, and everyone in my office strongly condemn anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial. This is a position I have repeatedly, and publicly, stated.

I appeared on 2SM radio with Grant Goldman this morning talking about the issue, which you may be interested in listening to here:

<https://shoebridge.greenshost.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=8332&qid=25394>.

David

From: Bocage bocage@club-internet.fr
Sent: Thursday, 20 June 2013 11:36 PM
To: David Shoebridge
Subject: Re: We must all stand up to Holocaust deniers

Dear Mr Shoebridge,

I am very, very disappointed with that email of yours: considering the courage that you have shown to this day, I thought you belonged to those people who are not satisfied with what they are taught in the media (or, before that, at school) and that you had at least tried to find out by yourself why special laws have been passed in many countries to forbid people to study and possibly challenge one part – and only one part! – of the history of the world.

One should be allowed to check the truth about WWII and not be thrown into prison for doing so! A father of 8, in my country, has been put in prison for 1 year just because he distributed a 16-page brochure regarding WWII: do you believe this is right? (I enclose the English version of that small brochure).

Dear Mr Shoebridge, please open your eyes: you have been lied to on that topic. Many, many people, in my country, are aware of that big lie. Don't be the last one to understand that what I'm saying is the truth.

As you are a courageous person, you might keep my name on your list and I congratulate you for doing so. But if this email has frightened the life out of you, I will be sorry, sorry for you, sorry for me...

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes

Yvonne

Daphne Anson

Standing with Israel, Standing for Light and Liberty www.daphneanson.blogspot.com

We offer peace and amity to all the neighbouring states and their peoples, and invite them to cooperate with the independent Jewish nation for the common good of all. The State of Israel is ready to contribute its full share to the peaceful progress and development of the Middle East. (From Proclamation of the State of Israel, 5 Iyar 5708; 14 May 1948)

Sunday, 23 June 2013

In NSW, The Slimy Green Stain & Stench Of Antisemitism



"This is not about the revocation of an invitation. It's about why those who claim to be supporting Palestinian rights consistently attract the enthusiastic support of people with an explicitly racist anti-Jewish agenda."

So, reasonably, declares Peter Wertheim, executive director of the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, concerning the unconscionable flirtation of elements within the NSW Greens with the notorious German-born

Australian Holocaust denier Dr Fredrick Toben (pictured, with an admirer of his, Lady Michele Renouf).

As **reported** in *The Australian* newspaper:

'... Dr Toben emailed Mr Shoebridge [Greens state parliamentarian and BDS crusader David Shoebridge] following an incident in March when upper house debate on a motion reporting on a study trip to Israel by a delegation of NSW parliamentarians, organised by the NSW Jewish Board of Deputies, was hijacked by pro-Palestinian MPs to attack Israel. Mr Shoebridge's office emailed Dr Toben a link to his speech on March 25.

"Many, many thanks, Mark – and all the very best to David – and I do hope there will not be a bending to Jewish pressure after this courageous stance!" Dr Toben said in a return email the same day.

"Definitely not," came a response from Mr Shoebridge's office two days later. [Emphasis added here and below]

Dr Toben was invited to the "Sail with us in solidarity" fundraiser organised by the NSW Parliamentary Friends of Palestine, co-chaired by Mr Shoebridge and Labor MLC Lynda Voltz, on April 3.

"There was never any intention to invite Mr Toben to the event," Mr Shoebridge said yesterday.

"Mr Toben was inadvertently invited to the event via an automated email. Once we realised who he was – namely a Holocaust denier – we withdrew the invitation and took immediate steps to ensure that he would not be contacted in any way in the future...."

Emails between Mr Shoebridge's office and Dr Toben show it took some time for the realisation to hit.

Dr Toben asked in an email on Monday, April 8: "Do you still have a spot for me on that harbor cruise? If so, then I shall book a return flight from Adelaide to Sydney and join the cruise on 2 May."

A response came the following day. "Hi Frederick. Yes there are still spaces available. It would be good to see you there. Mark for David."

On Wednesday, April 10, though, the invitation was withdrawn. "Hi Frederick, I'm afraid we're going to have to rescind our invitation to this event. I have been informed that, based on your past actions and views, your presence will likely offend a number of guests who we work with frequently. Apologies for any inconvenience. Mark for David."....'

As reported [here](#), unlike certain NSW colleagues Greens Party leader Senator Christine Milne, though expressing abhorrence for Toben's views on the Holocaust, has failed to condemn the invitation, while (the part-Jewish) NSW Greens senator Lee Rhiannon, who's been prominently linked to the BDS movement, has declined to comment.

For fuller coverage be sure to see also [here](#) and [here](#) (hat tip: reader Ian)

As an *Australian* editorial [remarks](#) following this latest incident:

"Understandably, some conclude that Israel is only collateral damage for the BDS movement. Its real target is the Jews."

All the more reason for us to give a "thumbs up" to **this video**:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pGhrWHJVQK4>

(hat tip: reader Shirlee)

Posted by Daphne Anson at 00:36

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Labels: David Shoebridge MLC, Fredrick Toben, Green Party and Israel, Greens in NSW

6 comments:



1. **Ian**23 June 2013 19:24

One correction

"Understandably, some conclude that Israel is only collateral damage for the BDS movement. Its real target is the Jews."

Isn't a FOIWA comment it's directly from the Oz editorial.

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/opinion/editorials/all-aboard-the-ship-of-fools/story-e6frg71x-1226667113251>

That isn't paywalled but the initial article from the 20th is.

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1. **Daphne Anson**23 June 2013 21:27

Many thanks - will amend.

[Reply](#)



2. **Rita**23 June 2013 22:20

I suggest that a vote for the Greens (at any government level) is a vote for a new Jewish holocaust. Their Judenbass is not even disguised any longer and, while Lee Rhiannon's birth name is "Brown", a colour very reminiscent of a time we hoped never to see again, the attention seeking opportunistic Green senator with the hyphenated name has quite blatantly and without shame nailed her colours to a certain mast a long time ago...come to think of it: Jew Hatred might be, if not a strict prerequisite for joining the Greens, so at least an advantage.

<http://resources0.news.com.au/images/2011/04/06/1226034/989548-greens-senator.jpg>

[Reply](#)



3. **Anonymous** 24 June 2013 08:28

Dear Daphne

I don't see a contact email or anything so I will put the heads-up here. St John's Anglican Cathedral in Brisbane is about to host (opening 4 July, running 5 July -10 August) a photographic exhibition featuring photos purportedly taken by children who live in the two Palestinian Arab Muslim-dominated propaganda villages of Nabi Saleh (hometown of convicted jihad terrorist Ahlam Tamimi) and Al- Walaja. It's put together by somebody called Nicky Stafford and is called 'BE the difference: hope for kids in Palestine'. I haven't been able to find out much about Ms Stafford online, but the event is being plugged by 'Australian Friends of Palestine'. I think questions need to be asked about this exhibition and the Cathedral's hosting of it.

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Daphne Anson 24 June 2013 08:35

Many thanks for the alert - will try to follow this up.
daphnedotansonatgmaildotcom

[Reply](#)



4.

Rita 25 June 2013 13:31

"St John's Anglican Cathedral"

I have been quite shocked by the anti-Semitism I have encountered among Anglicans here. Mind you, they don't even accept "Catholics" as "Christians". When I heard that the first time I thought it was a joke - the Author of "Forgiving Hitler" had been asked: "was your husband a Christian", she quite charmingly answered: "Oh no, he was a Catholic".

[Reply](#)

<http://daphneanson.blogspot.com.au/2013/06/in-nsw-slimy-green-stain-stench-of.html>

Shoebridge apologises for Toben invitation

By: GARETH NARUNSKY, *Australian Jewish News*, June 27, 2013



NSW GREENS MP David Shoebridge has apologised after it was revealed a staffer in his office invited Holocaust denier Fredrick Toben to a pro-Palestinian harbour cruise fundraiser held in May.

Last Thursday, *The Australian* revealed that Shoebridge, co-chair of the NSW Parliamentary Friends of Palestine, was forced to rescind the invitation after becoming aware of Toben's controversial views and **criminal conviction for racial vilification**. The revelations attracted widespread condemnation, including from within The Greens party.

Federal Greens leader Senator Christine Milne said "the invitation should never have occurred in the first place", while NSW lead Senate candidate Cate Faehrmann apologised to the Jewish community "unreservedly" for the hurt caused.

During a speech in the Legislative Council last Thursday, Shoebridge said a broadcast email about the event had been inadvertently sent to Toben, but stopped short of apologising. On Tuesday, after being contacted by *The AJN*, Shoebridge said: "We apologise for any hurt or offence caused by this lapse of concentration."

He also clarified an email exchange between staffer Mark Riboldi and Toben, in which Riboldi said he would "definitely not" be bowing to Jewish pressure. "The initial response made to Toben by a staffer in my office was a rushed two-word email that was clearly sent in error without properly considering the original email," he said.

"Mistakes do happen in a busy office. It does not express my views, or the views of the staffer, and should never have been sent."

Executive Council of Australian Jewry executive director Peter Wertheim welcomed Shoebridge's apology, but said it was "somewhat puzzling" that it came a week after the apology "made on his behalf by his colleague Cate Faehrmann, who did nothing wrong herself".

But he said Shoebridge was still avoiding the real issue. "Many of those who claim to be supporting Palestinian rights do so in a way that consistently attracts the enthusiastic support of people with an explicitly racist, anti-Jewish agenda," he said.

"Politicians in particular, and their staff, have an obligation to be mindful of the true nature and effect of their advocacy."

But Shoebridge said: "Those of us who advocate for the human rights of the Palestinian people cannot be silenced by the vile and offensive minority views of Holocaust deniers and anti-Semites, which I fundamentally reject."

Former communications director for Christine Milne, Tim Hollo, who is Jewish, said he hoped "this appalling episode can lead to a positive outcome".

"The overwhelming majority of Greens have always ... distinguished legitimate criticism of Israel's government and armed forces from anything approaching anti-Semitism," he said.

"I've spoken to a lot of people inside the party and the clear indication is that this event has led to a better understanding of quite how unsavoury some of the people are who hide behind that otherwise legitimate criticism and that can only be a good thing."

<http://www.jewishnews.net.au/shoebridge-apologises-for-toben-invitation/31376>

Of interest: The Australian journalist Christian Kerr utilised copies of emails Fredrick Töben had received from David Shoebridge's office, and in order to test Kerr's balanced political approach, Töben sent him copies of correspondence received from the so-called 'right-wing think tank' IPA and its supporter, James Delingpole. Needless to say Kerr did not even acknowledge receiving the below from Töben.

From: Fredrick Toben toben@toben.biz

Sent: Tuesday, 25 June 2013 1:02 PM

To: kerrch@theaustralian.com.au

Subject: Perhaps of interest -

Christian – perhaps the following is of interest to you.

Fredrick Töben

From: James Delingpole [<mailto:james.delingpole@ipa.org.au>]

Sent: Tuesday, 11 September 2012 10:25 AM

To: Fredrick Toben

Subject: Fredrick, the IPA needs your help



A personal appeal from
James Delingpole

Hi Fredrick

It's James Delingpole here. I love Australia. When the IPA brought me out in April I didn't want to leave.

You've got a great country. You're a great bunch of people – you bought lots of copies of my book *Killing the Earth to Save It*.

I don't want you to wreck Australia. Please – I don't want you to end up like Europe. I know how bad Europe is – I have to live here.

There's thousands of reasons why Europe is a disaster. Believe me. Greeks retiring at 50 is only the tip of the iceberg.

But do you know the worst thing Europe has done? Yes – you guessed it. It's our crazy 'green' schemes that have pushed up electricity prices, sent jobs overseas, and made ABSOLUTELY NO DIFFERENCE TO GLOBAL TEMPERATURE.

I can't believe one of the reasons your government tells you why you need a carbon tax is because Europe has one. That's a joke right? With all of your energy resources I honestly find it incredible you put up with paying just about the highest price for electricity in the world, and twice what Americans pay.

When I saw the other week that your Julia Gillard wanted to link your 'carbon tax' (no, as we all know – it's not a 'carbon tax' – it's a tax on what we breathe which is carbon dioxide) to Europe's scheme I realised you'd completely lost the plot.

When John Roskam at the IPA asked me whether I could help I said – 'MATE! If there's anything I can do to stop Australia becoming like Europe, I'm in.'

[That's why I am asking you to make a tax deductible donation today to support the IPA's work on climate change.](#)

I love the IPA nearly as much as I love Australia. Let me count the ways I love the IPA:

- they've been fighting the climate change warmists for more than 20 years

- when everyone in Australia (and I mean *everyone*) said let's have a carbon tax – it won't hurt – the IPA stood against the tide and said NO! That's gutsy. The IPA has never wavered.

- they paid my fare to Australia to come and talk around the country. And they've also brought out people like Václav Klaus and Donna Laframboise and supported the work of heroes like Professor Bob Carter and Professor Ian Plimer.

- they take on Tim Flannery. Why do you continue to take that man seriously? The cover story

a while back in their magnificent publication the *IPA Review* on Flannery is a [must read](#). John Roskam and the fantastic team at the IPA have told me these are the things they'd like to do if they had more money:

publish a major new research report on the real cost of 'renewable energy' schemes. (I think it's great that Tony Abbott has said he'll repeal your carbon tax. But he's got to go further – the renewable energy debacle must go next.)

write to every single member of parliament in the country – state and federal – telling them that IPA research reveals how their green energy schemes are pushing electricity prices through the roof for ordinary Aussie families without any benefit to the environment at all

keep great staff like Professor Bob Carter on the frontlines battling against the taxpayer-funded warmists

The folks at the IPA don't get money from the government. Their budget is always stretched. If you don't give them money they'll go broke. They do a lot with not much. And they have impact! The IPA must take a lot of the credit for changing the attitudes of Australians to global warming. Six years ago 68% of you were warmists. Now it's just 36%.

And remember when the IPA ran those full page advertisements telling Australians how the government's own forecasts showed the carbon tax would cost \$1.4 trillion by 2050? Brilliant.

Fredrick, please, please, please make a [tax-deductible donation](#) to the IPA today so they can continue to be a brave and loud voice on climate change. And so you don't end up like Europe.

[Click here](#) right now to make a donation.

Visit carbontax.ipa.org.au to make a donation today.



James Delingpole, Author, *Killing The Earth To Save It*

P.S. Fredrick, without you, the climate debate will be dominated by warmists (like your Climate Change Commissioner Tim Flannery!). [Donate](#) to the IPA today to make sure that doesn't happen.

[Click here](#) to unsubscribe from future mailings.

From: Fredrick Toben toben@toben.biz

Sent: Wednesday, 12 September 2012 9:41 AM

To: 'James Delingpole'

Subject: RE: Fredrick, the IPA needs your help

James, your request leaves me astounded because of the email I recently received from John Roskam, as per below.

Cheers

Fredrick

From: John Roskam jroskam@ipa.org.au

Sent: Thursday, 6 September 2012 4:05 PM

To: toben@toben.biz

Subject: Your application to become a member of the IPA

Dear Fredrick

Thank you for your application to join the Institute of Public Affairs. You would have received earlier this week an automatically generated message about you becoming a member. I am writing to let you know that we can't accept your application and we have refunded to you the \$88 you have paid.

Yours sincerely

John Roskam.

John Roskam

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To: "John Roskam" jroskam@ipa.org.au

Cc:

Sent: Fri, 07 Sep 2012 14:11:09 +0930

Subject: Re: Your application to become a member of the IPA

John - need I ask why you are rejecting my application? Surely the Institute of Public Affairs is resolute and fearless when it comes to defending free expression.

I would still like to receive a copy of the book dealing with the Andrew Bolt case that was offered for free with a new application. I have been locked into the free speech debate for over 16 years and would be interested to see whether the difficulties raised in my battle are canvassed within that book

Thanks.

Fredrick Töben

Newsletter Monday July 1, 2013

Stop shocking our kids about Holocaust, Minister tells teachers

More than 1,200 teachers attend Yad Vashem conference on how to instill the memory and heritage of the Holocaust to today's students • Education Minister Shay Piron tells teachers: We invest too much time on hatred and shocking our students – Israel Hayom Staff.



"In order to preserve the memory of the Holocaust, we must deal with lessons rather than stories," says Education Minister Shay Piron. Photo credit: Gideon Markowitz

More than 1,200 educators attended a conference on Monday at the Yad Vashem International School for Holocaust Studies to discuss the current role of teachers in instilling the memory and heritage of the Holocaust among the youth.

Speaking at the conference, Education Minister Shay Piron criticized the current method of teaching as focusing too much on victimhood, hate and shock value and not enough on compassion and hope.

"Dwelling on the victim, on the pain, on what was done to us, that's the easy part. Delving into our identity, asking what is a teacher's duty and what you teachers will do tomorrow in class, that's the challenge," the education minister said.

"We invest too much time on hatred and on shocking our students, thinking that if they are not shocked then we didn't do our job. This approach underestimates the atmosphere that creates a holocaust, remaining within the realm of tears and not advancing social change, justice, and concern for the weak," Piron said.

"If we don't present the Holocaust as a source of human compassion and recognition of the rights of others, then we will have failed in our task. In order to preserve the memory of the Holocaust, we must deal with lessons rather than stories, and we need to change the discourse," Piron went on to say.

"In this way, our history will become the map to our future. I want to ask us all, when we read the history books, to connect with the past but also think about how we can shape the future; how we can change the social order. Israel's students are old enough to be educated to love, and not just hate. This way they will remember their grandparents, but we will also have instructed them on how to build a better world," the education minister concluded.

Avner Shalev, the chairman of the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial, also mentioned that currently there is no official curriculum to teach Israel's students about the Holocaust. "The very fact that more than 1,200 teachers came here at the beginning of their summer vacation is another indication

that there is a thirst coming directly from the education system and the students themselves, for value-driven education on the Holocaust," he said.

The purpose of the conference was to create dialogue and compel teachers to teach students about the Holocaust. The international school's teaching staff fielded question like whether 4- and 5-year-olds should be taught about the Holocaust, or how to illustrate the concept of "selection" to teens.

The two-day conference was to include a variety of workshops on topics like the Holocaust in political cartoons, the Holocaust in the media, song selection for radio stations on Holocaust Memorial Day and the Holocaust in the theater. In addition, 25 Holocaust survivors will speak to small groups of educators on the role of passing the human stories down to the students.

http://www.israelhayom.com/site/newsletter_article.php?id=10379

Mark Dreyfus bid to unify shield laws

BY: CHRIS MERRITT, LEGAL AFFAIRS EDITOR, [The Australian](http://www.theaustralian.com.au), June 20, 2013 12:00AM

ATTORNEY-GENERAL Mark Dreyfus has unveiled a major push to remake Labor's credentials on free speech by strengthening journalists' shield laws and streamlining a widely criticised scheme to protect whistleblowers in the public service.

On shield laws, Mr Dreyfus moved to establish uniform state and federal protection for journalists' confidential sources by eliminating the differences between five separate shield laws.

On whistleblower protection, he introduced a series of amendments yesterday that a leading authority said would create the nation's most comprehensive protection regime for public servants who reveal wrongdoing.

A.J. Brown of Griffith University said there were still gaps in the government's Public Interest Disclosure Bill that was passed in the House of Representatives yesterday -- especially the lack of protection when public officials reveal wrongdoing by politicians and the exclusion of intelligence agencies from much of the scheme.

"However in all the circumstances if federal public servants, contractors and employees of contractors report wrongdoing within the commonwealth public sector, they will now receive a historic level of protection," Professor Brown said.

However, media lawyers said Labor's initiative on shield laws could require it to abandon late changes to the federal scheme initiated by the Greens.

Mr Dreyfus has placed "harmonising and strengthening" the nation's network of shield laws on the agenda for the next meeting of state and territory law and justice ministers.

"It is crucial that we adopt a consistent approach to journalists' privilege so they can perform this vital role," he said.

Unlike the federal shield law, all state schemes limit the scope of their protection to professional journalists and their sources of information in order to minimise the amount of relevant evidence that is beyond the reach of the courts.

"If you are going to make it a strong privilege, it must be confined to professional journalism," said media lawyer Veronica Scott of Minter Ellison.

She welcomed the move to align the network of shield laws and said the current differences encouraged forum shopping.

She believed the application in Western Australia by Gina Rinehart to find the source of information in articles in The Age and The West Australian "might not work the same way in Victoria" because of differences in the law.

Unlike the state law, the federal scheme reflects Greens amendments that extended its reach to bloggers and anyone who sends news over the internet.

Before Labor accepted those changes, former attorney-general Robert McClelland had urged the states to enact laws modelled on the original scheme that is confined to professional journalists.

Before enacting the NSW scheme, state Attorney-General Greg Smith said changes favoured by the Greens had extended the federal law to cover people "who can sometimes just be lunatics or people with very passionate agendas to push".

<http://www.theaustralian.com.au/national-affairs/dreyfus-bid-to-unify-shield-laws/story-fn59niix-122666532749>

From the Adelaide Institute Archive:

Holocaust Denier, Fredrick Toben, Bankrupted by Jews

Published by Fester on Tuesday, 2012-09-25 11:43

Fredrick Toben, the Holocaust denier who was jailed in 2009 for contempt of a court order banning him from publishing anti-Semitic material on his website, has been declared bankrupt.

Toben, who is based in Adelaide, was ordered earlier this year to pay \$175,618.97 in court costs to Jeremy Jones, who filed the original case against him. When Toben failed to pay the court costs, Jones lodged a bankruptcy claim against him.

In the Federal Magistrates Court Monday, Registrar Anthony Tesoriero, on the application of Jeremy Jones, made a sequestration order against Toben, declaring him bankrupt. He has 21 days to appeal.

Despite his financial woes, Toben says on his Adelaide Institute website he will "not recant and

continues to denounce the Holocaust lies."

Jones said today's declaration was an administrative ruling. "It has nothing to do with the legal or moral argument at all," he said.

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by Heydrich on Tue, 2012-09-25 17:20.

Thank you Fester. Gerald Fredrick Töben is one of the few Germans

with the courage to be honest. Unfortunately he overestimated the courage of Australian society. The little worms "down under" are as bad as anyone else. They too worship Jewish supremacy.

[Memo from Fredrick Toben, Bankrupted by Jews](#)

**Memo from Töben
Sydney, Australia
25 September 2012**

1. Please note the below media reports contain inaccuracies. Mr Peter Hartung has been the Director of Adelaide Institute since 2009. I was imprisoned in Germany in 1999 because of a letter I had written to legal individuals in Germany about the Günter Deckert case. The matter went to appeal where a re-trial was ordered, which would have happened had the October 2008 London extradition attempt on an European Arrest Warrant

succeeded. Last year Justice Dr Meinerzhagen advised me that the action against me has been stayed indefinitely. Note that media reports claim 'antisemitism', 'Holocaust denial', 'racism', et al, are the matters that are dealt with during such court proceedings. This is only half the story because the matters of fact of my case were never canvassed in open court – nothing was ever defined as claimed by the media. When in November 2007 I offered an apology for upsetting the court the Jewish media latched on to it by claiming I had given a 'Holocaust denial' apology', in effect re-canting my 'Holocaust views', as David Irving, David Cole and Christian Lindtner had done. I still do not understand why Irving did this because he is not an expert on matters Holocaust but the world's greatest historian of World War Two. When I saw those 'Holocaust denial' headlines in the *Australian Jewish News* I knew I had to withdraw my apology. I had in effect already deleted so-called offensive material from Adelaide Institute's website but I stopped deleting links from the pages to other websites, something that was not covered by the apology. So, be wary about apologising. Also, after I gave my apology to the court I felt sick – after I unilaterally withdrew the apology I felt much better.

I don't mind apologising because if what I say is said rudely or crudely said but not if it is what I believe to be the truth of a matter. Hence, I wondered what was the aim of a request for my apology when in **1997 Jeremy Sean Jones** wished me to apologise to HREOC in the following terms:

Order that the Respondent apologise to the Applicant in the following terms:

**"To Mr Jeremy Jones
Executive Vice President
Executive Council of Australian Jewry
146 Darlinghurst Road
Darlinghurst NSW 2010**

I hereby unreservedly and unconditionally apologise to you and to the Australian Jewish community for having published material inciting hatred against the Jewish People in contravention of the Racial Discrimination Act. I undertake that neither I nor any employee or agent of mine (actual or ostensible) will publish any such material in the future and that all such material which is presently published by me, Or by any employee or agent of mine (actual or ostensible) in any print or electronic media (including the Internet) will forthwith be withdrawn from publication".

Order that the respondent forthwith, and at his own expense, undertake a course of counselling by a conciliation officer of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission as to the rights and responsibilities of the Respondent under the provisions of the Racial Discrimination Act.

Note that the HREOC conciliator could not conciliate our differences because Mr Jones refused to go into mediation, and he immediately sought a public hearing, which he then followed up with the costly legal action in the Federal Court of Australia. Note also that I wiped the content of Adelaide Institute's website after the HREOC decision in 2000 and again after the Federal Court of Australia decision – and began again.

And note again that I submitted the [JS Hayward thesis](#) to the HREOC commissioner and to the FCA judge, which both of them ignored because Jeremy Sean Jones claimed before both that there is no such thing as questioning matters Holocaust and those who do are 'Holocaust deniers'.

Hayward had sent me his thesis copy in 1998 and I submitted it as part of my defence. Then began the hounding of Hayward who recanted, as he informed me later, because he and his family received death threats. Canterbury University, New

Zealand, reacted to New Zealand's Jewish groups agitating to have the thesis demoted to a B.A: *The Fate of Jews in German Hands: An Historical Enquiry into the Development and Significance of Holocaust Revisionism*. Thesis (M.A.). University of Canterbury, 1993. It refused because it considered Hayward not to have been dishonest in his research.

When Hayward recanted, I asked him to give me the factual reasons on which he had based his decision to re-cant – I am still waiting for such reasons. In 1983 German Judge Wilhelm Stäglich had his 1951 awarded doctorate of law revoked by the University of Göttingen on account of Stäglich having written [The Auschwitz Myth – Legend or Reality](#), a book detailing his experiences at Auschwitz during World War Two.

Asking questions can be upsetting for those who have lived on a lie for a lifetime, who have built their world view on a factual lie, but that does not mean such individuals should have legal protection on account of hurt feelings experienced when someone asks them probing questions. On account of my German background I take it as my right to ask questions what happened during World War Two and openly enquire whether my father was a part of the alleged mass murder machine operating during the war in Germany and in territories under its control.

2. Last year, 2011, I paid court costs of \$56,000+, all up over \$75,000, and I did this by selling my modest home of 27 years in country Victoria. This action was preceded by an offer of settlement in November 2010, which was refused, my then lawyer stating that 'they don't want your money. They want to bankrupt you'.

3. Lawyer Steven Lewis, on 20 July 2010, during his political speech as Labor candidate for the seat of Wentworth predicted: 'We're about to bankrupt Töben': - at 17.40 minutes into clip:

<http://www.jwire.com.au/news/wentworth-candidates-address-board-of-deputies-plenum/10541>

4. This year another claim for court costs of over \$75,000 was made in the knowledge that I now have no assets – but the Executive Council of Australian Jewry and its henchmen want their pound of flesh, as per Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice.

5. I am now hoping to find a court that resembles the Duke of Venice's court of law where lawyer Portia appears and asks Shylock/Executive Council of Australian Jewry, to show mercy towards me because it 'is twice blest: It blesseth him that gives and him that takes'.

6. The whole saga began in 1996 when the Executive Council of Australian Jewry, Jones, et al, took their complaint to the Human Rights

and Equal Opportunity Commission-HREOC where Commissioner Kath McEvoy – also law lecturer at the University of Adelaide, applied the Racial Discrimination Act - RDA. Under Section 18c anything said or written 'that is likely to offend' is deemed to cause an offence and activates the powers of the RDA. This section in effect protects 'hurt feelings' – and when Holocaust material is openly debated, then hurt feelings begin to flood and those who seek the physical truth of a matter are found guilty of an offence.

7. More on the history of this 17-year battle later because some of those judges involved in making legal decisions on a number of occasions shamefully 'bent to Executive Council of Australian Jewry pressure' and found against

me, thereby revealing their own moral and intellectual bankruptcy.

8. I shall never re-cant my views because the essence of being human is to be able to cherish free expression on any topic, unless of course someone in open debate produces factual information that further clarifies an issue/problem. In 1999 I penned the following: 'If you take away my freedom to think and to speak, you deny me my humanity and you commit a crime against humanity. Truth is my defence.'

Wake Up From Your Slumber

The Truth Will Set You Free

<http://wakeupfromyourslumber.com/>

Postscript 4 July 2013

On 10 May 2013 Fredrick Töben declared myself bankrupt to the tune of \$700,000.

On 1 July 2013 Töben lodged defamation actions in the Supreme Court of New South Wales against Senator Christine Milne, journalist Christian Kerr and *Australian* editor Clive Mathieson. The matter has been set down for a directions hearing on Monday, 29 July 2013.

Is the Holocaust a Hoax?

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<http://www.biblebelievers.org.au/holohoax.htm>

Within five minutes, any intelligent, open-minded person can be convinced that the Holocaust gassings of World War II are a profitable hoax.

Fred A. Leuchter is America's leading specialist on the design and fabrication of execution equipment, including homicidal gas chambers. In 1988, Leuchter scraped samples from the alleged gas chamber walls in Auschwitz, Birkenau and Lublin. Cyanide residue would be clearly evident on all these walls if gassings did occur. To his astonishment, Leuchter found no significant cyanide traces in any one of these rooms.

In 1991, the Polish government repeated these tests to disprove Leuchter's findings, but they as well found no evidence of any gassings ever occurring.

The structural integrity of these "gas chambers" is also extremely faulty. These rooms have ordinary doors and windows which are not hermetically sealed! There are large gaps between the floors and doors. If the Germans had attempted to gas anyone in these rooms, they would have died themselves, as the gas would have leaked and contaminated the entire area. Also, no equipment exists to exhaust the air-gas mixture from these buildings. Nothing was made to introduce or distribute the gas throughout the chambers. There are no provisions to prevent condensation of gas on the

walls, floors or ceilings. No exhaust stacks have ever existed.

Though six million Jews supposedly died in the gas chambers, not one body has ever been autopsied and found to have died of gas poisoning.

We have been shown piles of bodies from World War II, but most of these persons died of typhus or starvation or Allied bombings and a great many of those were murdered Germans, not Jews. Roughly the equivalent of ten football fields should be packed full of gassed bodies to present as evidence, yet not one body has ever been discovered.

The Germans documented everything in meticulous detail from shrubbery to arbors, but no pre-war or wartime plans or documents exist that detail or even mention any gas chambers for reasons of genocide. All documents ever presented were drawn up AFTER the war.

Even if we threw away all the evidence and accounted for every so-called gas chamber, it would have taken 68 YEARS to accomplish gassing six million Jews!

Even ***The Diary of Anne Frank*** is a hoax. Portions of the diary were written with a ball point pen. These pens were not in use at the time Anne Frank lived.

It is not denied concentration camps existed. Tragically, many died of typhus or starvation, as often happens in such situations. There is, however, no evidence that any gassings occurred for the reasons of genocide.

Israel continues to receive trillions of dollars worldwide as retribution for Holocaust gassings. Our country has donated more money to Israel than to any other country in the history of the world -- over \$35 billion per year, everything included. If not for our extravagantly generous gifts to Israel, every family in America could afford a brand new Mercedes Benz. Surely the American people would be outraged if they realized their hard-earned money is being squandered in these difficult times.

With all this money at stake for Israel, it is easy to comprehend why this Holocaust hoax is so secretly guarded. The Jewish name for Holocaust is "Shoah." In Zionist circles, it is known as "*Shoah Business*." If nothing else, this unbelievable coverup demonstrates the irrepressible Zionist influence and control of our country. Their only defense against the facts is to cry out "antisemitic," "Skinhead" or "Nazi," whereas the majority of those who question the Holocaust are ordinary citizens...though you would never know it from the media.

In whatever way you can, please help shatter this profitable myth. It is time we stop sacrificing America's welfare for the sake of Israel and spend our hard-earned dollars on Americans.

There are compelling reasons to believe that the so-called holocaust never existed. Page 223, in *The Diary of Anne Frank*, (Pan Horizons edition, Pan Books Ltd., London, 1989), indicates that the size of Auschwitz, the most notorious of all German work camps, WAS VERY SMALL, with only 11,000 people (many of whom may not even have been Jews) being evacuated by the Germans at the time of the Russian advance in 1945.

Certainly, compared to Spielberg's film, *Schindler's List* (which Emilie Schindler, Oskar's widow, said was full of lies), and other Jewish propaganda, that millions upon millions of Jews were systematically exterminated, 11,000 people is a very small number.

Simple arithmetic tells us that the Germans would have had to have had hundreds of camps, or else they would have had to exterminate 137 people PER HOUR, in order for six million Jews to have been exterminated at such small camps as Auschwitz, a feat that would have been humanly impossible considering that, according to Douglas Reed's *Behind the Scene* and *The Controversy of Zion*, a mere 850,000 soldiers and others were killed by the entire German and Japanese war machines combined during WW2 - see p.397-400 of Douglas Reed's book *Controversy of Zion*.



Jewish Orchestra performing at Theresienstadt 'Konzentrationslager' Camp. Photo taken by Kurt Geron, Jewish wartime film producer.

People who would believe the Jewish propaganda that six million Jews were exterminated by Hitler must KEEP IN MIND THE SMALL SCALE CONSTRUCTION OF AUSCHWITZ AND THE VERY FEW OTHER GERMAN WORK CAMPS THAT EXISTED DURING WW2.

On July 13, 1994, a documentary on the life of Charles A. Lindbergh broadcast on the Public Broadcast System (PBS - KENW-TV) said that when Lindbergh visited one of these few camps in Germany following WW2, he was told that 25,000 died in 1-1/2 years.

Again, simple arithmetic tells us that 25,000 times a half dozen camps does not equal 6,000,000. In fact, it doesn't even equal 600,000. . . .

It is an interesting fact that the number of so-called persecuted Jews KEEPS INCREASING. Hal Greenwald, program director for the Hillel Foundation at Duke University, a Jewish student group, has been promoting the idea that NINE MILLION JEWS WERE EXTERMINATED IN HITLER'S GAS CHAMBERS (New York Times, Nov. 9, 1991, AP). NOW IT'S 9 MILLION AND GROWING. ..JUST LIKE OUR DEBT/TAX MONEY SUPPLY...THE NUMBERS JUST KEEP COMING OUT OF THIN AIR. . .([The Bible Caused Economic and Financial Slavery in the New World Order](#) by Lee Cheney).



View of the swimming pool at Auschwitz 'Konzentrationslager' Camp

The Enemy of Truth

By David Brockschmidt

The *Australian* newspaper of 21 June 2013 featured an editorial headed *All aboard the ship of fools*, wherein it declared Fredrick Töben, BA, BA, Grad Cert Ed, D Phil, MACE, "an enemy of the truth".

In my dictionary definition the "enemy of the truth" is also the enemy of the people.

I grew up on a small island in the red sea, then known as West Berlin. We heard this kind of Marxist hate-speech day and night from the other side of the Berlin Wall, the Soviet Sector of Greater Berlin.

Now this Orwellian new-speak has arrived in the Australian media. This is a sad day for the freedom of the press and freedom of expression in Australia.

The discharge of political correctness, which according to Dame Leoni Kramer is *intellectual terrorism*, is now showing its ugly face down under.

The founding fathers of the Australian constitution of 1901 forgot to take the First Amendment of the US constitution on board. This was and still is a pity for Australia and all Australians because there is no freedom of expression in Australia.

So welcome on board on this politically correct ship of fools, which has lost its captain long ago, its sense of direction, and it's now drifting Rudderless towards the Bermuda Triangle.

Keith Murdoch, father of Rupert Murdoch, has clearly addressed what journalism and professional ethics should stand for.

He said: '**The press must be more than merely free. It must be fact-finding, truth-telling, truth-seeking to the limit of human capacity and enterprise.**' Keith Murdoch, 1885-1952, at the *Herald and Weekly Times Ltd* Annual General meeting, 29 November 1946.

This is the beautiful theory of professional ethical journalism. The ugly spin-praxis of today's poisoned pen artists and ink-pissers are clearly addressed in John Swinton's address to the New York Press Club in 1953. John Swinton was the chief-of-staff of the *New York Times*. The honest Mr Swinton was known among his peers as the dean of his profession. I shall repeat his speech at the end of my defence for freedom of expression and freedom of historical and scientific research.

Society will always be judged by how it treats its minorities. This, of course, includes not only ethnic minorities, but also dissidents, whistle-blowers, eccentrics, and in the Töben case historical revisionists.

Every thinking person revises what information is presented to them, which means being a revisionist, i.e. having another look at the facts.

As we all know many politicians are notorious liars, and according to John Swinton 'nearly all of the journalists are intellectual prostitutes'.

Let me give you an example here. Robert Gates, the ex-US minister of defence, said on a PBS-SBS TV news broadcast in 2013: 'Governments do lie to each other, that's how business is done.' What he forgot to say was that governments also lie to their people – see Prime Minister Julia Gillard and the carbon tax.

Now let's have a closer look at the word constructs "Holocaust deniers" or "Holocaust liars". Anyone here know the difference? No? Well, let me give you an example within an historical context.

The Turkish-Armenian Holocaust. The Turks call the Armenians 'Holocaust lairs' because the Armenians say the Turkish-Armenian Holocaust happened. The Armenians call the Turks 'Holocaust deniers' because the Turks say the Turkish-Armenian Holocaust did not happen.

This clearly shows how such idiotic word-constructs are absurd and self-defeating, but in our politically correct world today there is no end to such linguistic nonsense. If one says, for example, 'Global warming is a lot of hot air', you are called a climate denier. This is another politically correct insanity. How can you deny the climate? Climate is always there and it is always changing.

In our politically correct dictionary today we find words like "extremist", which to the politically correct left means "an extremist is a person who dares to think outside the square and does not go with the flow like dead fish. We all know dead fish stink. So, what is wrong with being extremely right instead of being extremely wrong like most of our court historians? There is nothing wrong in being an extremist so long as you continue to tell the truth and expose the lies of the ruling oligarchy.

Here is another example – in the Black Armband view of Australian history. The historian Keith Windschuttle is called a right-wing extremist. He proved the left-wing extremist historian Henry Reynolds wrong in regard to some parts of Aboriginal history. This makes Keith Windschuttle a righteous right-wing extremist and Henry Reynolds an extremely wrong left-wing extremist.

Such word constructs are absurd as is obvious from the above examples but they are used as a political weapon by the ruling oligarchy to reconstruct the meaning of words and sentences in order to suit their brave new world order.

The first step in Prime Minister Gillard's so-called education revolution should have been the compulsory

reading of George Orwell's *Animal Farm* and 1984, Aldous Huxley's *Brave New World* and the sequel, *Brave New World Revised*; and of course already the teachings of Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice*.

Last but not least a word to the politically correct editor of *The Australian* regarding calling Dr Fredrick Töben 'an enemy of the truth'. This comment is in my opinion a journalistic flop. Declaring Dr Töben an enemy of the truth is pathetic and misleading. I am sure Dr Töben will give this compliment right back to you.

My personal opinion regarding political correctness is that truth is no defence in the religious and racial vilification acts in Australia. The word truth hardly exists in journalists' and politicians' dictionaries. Truth does not sell newspapers, and spin rules supreme. As George Orwell said, *Truth-telling is a revolutionary act*. Today that applies more than ever. Everyone who thinks outside the square and steps out of line will be isolated, treated like a leper, or in the worst case be eliminated. The gloves are off and for the sake of our children these seducers and destroyers of a free and humane society must be exposed and brought to justice.

Here is what John Swinton, former chief-of-staff of the *New York Times*, stated before the New York Press Club in 1953, and this makes you and your colleagues in the media the enemies of truth, which means the enemies of the people:

There is no such thing, at this date of the world's history, in America, as an independent press. You know it and I know it.

There is not one of you who dares to write your honest opinions, and if you did, you know beforehand that it would never appear in print. I am paid weekly for keeping my honest opinion out of the paper I am connected with. Others of you are paid similar salaries for similar things, and any of you who would be so foolish as to write honest opinions would be out on the streets looking for another job. If I allowed my honest opinions to appear in one issue of my paper, before twenty-four hours my occupation would be gone.

The business of the journalists is to destroy the truth, to lie outright, to pervert, to vilify, to fawn at the feet of mammon, and to sell his country and his race for his daily bread. You know it and I know it, and what folly is this toasting an independent press?

We are the tools and vassals of rich men behind the scenes. We are the jumping jacks, they pull the strings and we dance. Our talents, our possibilities and our lives are all the property of other men. We are intellectual prostitutes.

- source: *Labor's Untold Story*, by Richard O. Boyer and Herbert M. Morais, published by United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America, NY, USA, 1955/1979.

I rest my case and cancel my subscription to *The Australian*!

PS: Freedom of Speech

The peculiar evil of silencing the expression of an opinion is, that it is robbing the human race; posterity as well as the existing generation; those who dissent from the opinion, still more than those who hold it. If the opinion is right, they are deprived of the opportunity of exchanging error for truth: if wrong, they lose, what is almost as great a benefit, the clearer perception and livelier impression of truth, produced by its collision with error. John Stuart Mill, *On Liberty*.

Open discussion of many major public questions has for some time now been taboo. We can't open our mouths without being denounced as racists, misogynists, supremacists, imperialists or fascists. As for the media, they stand ready to trash anyone so designated. - Saul Bellow, Canadian author and Nobel Prize winner for Literature

A liberal society stands on the proposition that we should all take seriously the idea that we might be wrong. This means we must place no one, including ourselves, beyond the reach of criticism (no final say); it means that we must allow people to err, even where the error offends and upsets, as it often will. - Jonathan Rauch - *Kind Inquisitors: The New Attacks on free Thought*.

Anyone who challenges the prevailing orthodoxy finds himself being silenced with surprising effectiveness. A genuinely unfashionable opinion is almosy never given a fair hearing. - George Orwell.

Unmeasured vituperation, employed on the side of prevailing opinions, deters people from expressing contrary opinions, and from listening to those who express them. - G S Mill.

Truth emerges in three stages – first it is ridiculed, then it is violently opposed, and then it is accepted as a given fact. - Arthur Schopenhauer.

Freedom of speech is indispensable for any country. – Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao, in the latest in a string of increasingly bold statements calling for reform ahead of the Chinese Communist Party's annual conference.

Awarding the Nobel Prize to him is equivalent to encouraging crime. – Ma Zhaxu, a Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman, denouncing international calls to release jailed dissident Liu Xiaobo.

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25 June 2013.